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SUBJ: OIL EXPLORATION - NATOMAS COMPANY

1. R.C. SLOCUM, DIR OF EXPLORATION FOR NATOMAS COMPANY, AND LARRY MARTIN, ALSO FROM NATOMAS, CALLED AT EMBASSY TO REPORT THEIR DISCUSSIONS WITH GOJ. NATOMAS COMPANY HAS SUBMITTED PROPOSAL TO THE GOJ TO UNDERTAKE OIL EXPLORATION IN JORDAN. THEY HAVE BEEN ASKED BY GOJ TO PREPARE A MORE COMPLETE PROPOSAL FOR CONSIDERATION BY COMMITTEE WHICH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO REVIEW PROPOSALS FROM OIL COMPANIES. SLOCUM WAS INFORMED BY HAWAMDEH, HEAD OF NATURAL RESOURCES AUTHORITY, THAT GOJ IS HOPING TO OBTAIN FORMAL PROPOSALS FROM NATOMAS, TREND, AND SUN OIL COMPANIES, PLUS ONE FROM REPUBLIC OF CHINA OIL COMPANY. GOJ HAS REQUESTED THAT PROPOSALS BE SUBMITTED DURING AUGUST SO THAT DECISIONS CAN BE MADE IN EARLY SEPTEMBER. SUCCESSFUL FIRMS WOULD THEN BEGIN ACTUAL EXPLORATION SHORTLY THEREAFTER. THE EMBASSY HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF INTENTIONS OF EITHER SUN OIL OR TREND AND WOULD WELCOME ANY INFO THE DEPARTMENT HAS IN THIS REGARD.

2. SLUCOM INDICATED THAT GOJ IS PROPOSING TO SET UP GOVERNMENT OIL COMPANY OF SOME SORT TO SERVE AS THE FOCAL POINT FOR OIL EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT IN JORDAN.

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